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SUBJECT: 2011 – 2012 School Immunization Requirements

The New Hampshire Immunization Program (NHIP) is pleased to provide information on the 2011/2012 school immunization requirements. This memo highlights the changes in the New Hampshire immunization requirements for 2011/2012

We have changed the format as you will see but the requirements remain the same. The only change is in the grade requirement for varicella vaccine. This requirement is progressive and will continue to change every year until all students are required to have two varicella vaccines or a laboratory confirmation of immunity to varicella to attend school.

This year:

- ◆ Kindergarteners, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders need two doses of varicella vaccine OR laboratory confirmation of varicella immunity.
- ◆ 3<sup>rd</sup> graders need 2 doses of varicella vaccine or history of chicken pox disease.
- ◆ 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders need 1 dose of varicella or history of chicken pox disease
- ◆ 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders need 2 doses of varicella or history of chicken pox disease.
- ◆ 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders need either 1 dose of varicella vaccine or a history of chicken pox

All other requirements remain the same.

For a copy of the 2011/2012 school immunization requirements, please visit:  
<http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/dphs/immunization> under children and adolescents.